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***** EDITOR'S SPECIAL NOTE:** Let me first say, it is great to have electrical power back again. Thanks to last week's storms, we had no power between 4:00 PM Friday to 8:30 PM Monday. It made for an interesting weekend (with no computer or television). Anyway, due to the large amount of late CQ WPX CW Contest announcements, I decided to release the bulletin early. I also wanted to free up more time during the Memorial Day weekend. Have a safe and fun holiday! 73 de Tedd KB8NW

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 21st/May, through Friday, 28th/May there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD8, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

5W, SAMOA (Update). Ted, K8AQM, reports that his upcoming trip to 5W will take place between **July 7-21st**. He will operate as **5W0TR** from the Samoan Village Resort on 160-10 meters CW/SSB/RTTY and PSK. He also mentions that they will be active for the **IARU**

Radiosport, hopefully using the special callsign for the contest only, possibly **5W0XX**. All QSLs are via K8AA CBA. They will put the log on the "Logbook of the World" and eQSL. Also, look for them as **KH6BB** from **Hawaii, July 5-6th and 22-24th**.

6Y, JAMAICA. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active as **6Y40J** during the **CQ WPX CW Contest (May 29-30th)** as a Single-Op/QRP entry. QSL via WC4E.

9H, MALTA. Con, DF4SA, will be active as **9H3MM** in the **CQ WPX CW Contest** as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Activity will be on 40-10 meters from **Gozo Island**. QSL automatically via the bureau after the contest via DF4SA or direct to: Cornelius Paul, Adelberger Weg 3, D-73104 Breech, Germany.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Look for Toivo, ES2RR, to be active as **9M6A** in the **CQ WPX CW Contest (May 29-30th)** as possibly a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via N2OO. Activity will be from the Hillview Gardens Resort (Web site <http://www.qsl.net/9m6aac/>). Toivo will be active occasionally as 9M6AAC outside of the contest.

A45, OMAN. Alex, YO9HP, will be active as **A45WD** during the **CQ WPX CW Contest (May 29-30th)** as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL via YO9HP.

ALBANIA NEWS. Tim Totten, N4GN, sent out the following press release from the "Project Goodwill Albania" team:

"A HEARTY THANK YOU FOR THOSE WHO RESPONDED TO A CALL
FROM ALBANIA AT DAYTON 2004

It was delighting to Geni, ZA1B, and other Project Goodwill Albania members to hear the sincere compliments for a project well executed from the visiting DXers in Dayton. Many complimented the dual-track idea of making amateur radio's entry to University level training and including a DX outing in the same package.

Many individual donors wanted to do their share in getting the students on the air. To that end, equipment support was received from AA4XR, N3BNA, K3LP, K7JA, VE1JF, W3BTX, W4MYA, W6EUF, W6OSP, W6UM and W9JUV in addition to those already reported earlier.

The highlight obviously was when Len Gerald, K6ANP, President of the Northern California DX Foundation, announced at the DX Dinner that NCDXF and Vertex Standard (Yaesu) will combine forces to donate ten complete FT840 stations to the University of Tirana to boost the successful completion of the project. DXers around the world are reminded that NCDXF relies on the support of individuals like you in order to fund such DX projects.

As Bob Ferrero, W6RJ, stepped forward on behalf of Ham Radio Outlet with the same number of antennas and Bob Heil, K9EID, added the good Heil sound to the package, the event was ending happily, once again showing the power of the DX community and related industry for a good cause.

The First Albania DX Convention, scheduled for 19-20 June in the capital city

Tirana, is the place to be to enjoy the camaraderie of the new ZA amateurs as well as many figures from the DX community who helped make the donated equipment work--G3LQP, G3TXF, I8NHJ, K2WR, W6UM, OH2BH, OH2PM, T93Y and others. Your participation will be welcomed! U.S. DXers may contact Rich, K2WR, at k2wr@njdx.org for advice how to travel there easily. In case of your further equipment donation, these people will be happy to take them along and do the presentation on your behalf.

See a high-res photo at: <http://www.n4gn.com/za/> Photo caption: Happy gathering at the Project Goodwill Albania 2003 QSL Service Desk at the Vertex Standard (Yaesu) booth in Dayton. Standing from left: OH2PM, W6OSP, K6AW, G3LQP, DL6LAU, OH2BH, K7JA and N4GN. Seated: Geni, ZA1B and Teemu, SM0WKA. Please see <http://www.za1a.com> for further information."

ARLHS PRESS RELEASE: Jim Weidner, K2JXW, Founder and President of the Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society, provides the following information: "Guidelines for the Amateur Radio Lighthouse Society August 2004 National Lighthouse-Lightship Weekend (NLLW) QSO Contest are available at: <http://arlhs.com/NLLW-2004-guidelines.html>. This annual event, along with our International event later in August, draws thousands of participants from all over the world. Last year we had over 40 countries participate, and over 400 lighthouses activated." Further information is available from K2JXW at mailto:weidner@waterw.com

C6, BAHAMAS. Duncan, EA5ON, is once again active from Freeport. He has been active **since May 26th** and will continue to be active **until May 30th** as **GM7CXM/C6A**. Although this is primarily a business trip, Duncan informs OPDX that he will be taking his IC-706 and portable antenna. This year the licence is already issued, the antenna has been thoroughly tried and tested, and it is hoped that more contacts will be made than last year. Operation will be 80-10 meters SSB. In case the hotel accomodation proves to be radio unfriendly, batteries will be taken along to enable portable use on the beach. Freeport is on **Grand Bahama Island**, IOTA **NA-080**. QSL to EA5ON, direct or by the bureau.

CO8, CUBA. Juan, **CO8TW**, will be active during the **CQ WPX CW Contest** as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. QSL information is IZ8CCW, and the Log will be on after the contest at: <http://www.qsl.net/co8tw/>

EM3, UKRAINE. Alex, UR3HC, will take part in the **CQ WPX CW Contest** as a Single-Op/All-band entry and use the callsign **EM3H**. QSL information is via UR3HC, either direct or through the bureau.

ET, ETHIOPIA. Michal, OK1HWB, will be active as **ET3TK** in the **CQ WPX CW Contest (May 29-30th)** as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via OK1CU.

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND. Sebastien, **FT1ZL**, on Amsterdam Island (**AF-002**) is expected to become active soon because the French have changed their licensing structure. French operators that previously hold a VHF-only license have been granted HF bands privileges and are allowed to operate on all modes except A1A, A2A, F1A and F2A. These stations usually have a 1 or 4 in their prefix. So, look for Sebastien to be on 20/17/15/12/10 meters SSB. Suggested frequencies are: 14195, 14274, 18138, 18148, 21191, 21271, 24954, 24974, 28485 and 28495 kHz. Please go easy on Sebastien because he is not used to pile-ups.

GB4, ISLE OF MAN. Members of the Wrexham and District Amateur Radio Society will be operating from the **Isle of Man (IOTA EU-116)** during the period of **September 1-8th**. The site that will be used is Scarlett Point, a discontinued Coast Guard lookout tower, approx 1.5 miles South of Castletown, Isle of Man (QRA: IO74, WAB SC26). Activity will be on all HF Bands, 50 MHz, 70MHz, 144MHz and 432 MHz, at full UK power. The team plans to operate simultaneously on 3 HF Bands (CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK and some SSTV) and 1 VHF Band. They also plan a high level of activity on the lower HF Bands with particular attention being paid to 160 and 80 meters. Stations will use a combination of aerials, including Phased Arrays, Yagi's and Quads at heights of 40 - 100 Feet. Callsigns will be: GB4IOM and GB4SPT. Some operations from the island's mountain will take place, conditions permitting, for SOTA devotees. QSL via the Bureau or direct to M1LCR (Further details and a P.O. Box address will be issued later). A number of awards are planned for working the station, either multiband/multi mode or a combination, and QSLs will be available for SWLs. Further press releases will be issued on the following dates: June 7th, July 7th, August 7th, 14th and 28th. Visit the following Web site for more details and updates: <http://www.gb4iom.co.uk>

GET WELL WISHES. OPDX and its readers would like to send out their "Get Well Wishes" to well-known DXer Bill, **AK0A** (TI9M/OY7WB/T33C), who became ill while in Dayton for the Hamfest. He is currently still in Dayton at the Miami Valley Hospital recovering from triple bypass surgery. The operation took place on Tuesday morning, May 25th. For those wanting to send (mail) "Get Well Wishes", send to: WILLIAM F BOECKENHAUPT, Miami Valley Hospital, One Wyoming Street, Dayton, Ohio 45409-2793.

GI1, NORTHERN IRELAND. Look for M0SDX to be active as **GI1A** in the **CQ WPX CW Contest** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via UT5SI, by the Bureau or CBA.

HS72, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, was expected to be active as HS72B on the WARC bands looking for NA stations (Before CQ WPX CW Contest). However, this did not happen. Hopefully, he will be in the **CQ WPX CW Contest**, using the **HS72B** callsign as a Single-Op/Low Power entry (SOAB or SOSB). QSL via E20NTS.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-117.** (Update) It seems Kenji, JA4GXS, was active earlier than announced from **Saba Island** as **JA4GXS/4** on **May 22nd**. Remember to QSL via his home call, direct or by the JARL Bureau.
- **AS-133.** Jaak, XU7ACE (ES1FB), recently back from XU-land, states that his operation and trip were very successful. However, due to logistical problems and very bad weather in July, they have **cancelled** their **IOTA Contest** operation from Koh Pos.
- **EU-006.** The WestNet DX Group will be active from **Inis Mor** in the Aran Islands, from Friday, **June 18th**, to Tuesday, **June 22nd**. Callsign used will be **EJ7NET**, and activity will be on HF and 6m. QSL via EI6FR.
- **EU-040.** A multinational team of operators will be active as a Low-Power DXpedition entry in the **2004 IOTA Contest** from **Ilha da Berlenga**. Team members are: CT1APE, CT1CJJ, CT1EEB, CT1ILT, CT2GLO, EA1CA, EA1DKV, EA4ABE, EA4ST, ON5NT (if not busy for the UN) and some more operators to be confirmed. Activity will be on all bands and modes including VHF/UHF. The homepage will soon be hosted at: <http://www.qsl.net/cs7t/> There will be (on the Web page) online logs, QSL info and some interesting stories about the Berlenga Arch.

- **EU-159.** Members of the Bordeaux DX Group (F2VX, F5OZF, F5RXL, F5SSG, F6EXV and F8BBL) will be active as **TM7BDX** from **Cordouan Island** (WLH 271 and DIFM 032), for about 12 hours on June 12th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via F8BBL, by the bureau or direct.
- **OC-160.** Bill, VK4FW, will be active as **VK4FW/p** from the Queensland State (South Coast) North Group, **June 5-6th**. Bill informed OPDX that he hopes to be active on 40/30/20/17/15 meters. QSL direct only to the following address: Bill Horner, P.O. Box 513, Nambour, 4560, Australia.

JY9, JORDAN. George, **JY9QJ**, will be active in the **CQ WPX CW Contest (May 29-30th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via DL5MBY.

KH2, GUAM. Look for Haru, JA1XGI, to be active as **W8XGI/KH2** until **May 31st**. Activity will be on 40/30/20/15/10 meters, mostly on the digital modes. QSL via JA1XGI, direct or by the bureau.

NH2, GUAM. Joel, KG6DX, will be operating as **NH2DX** during the **CQWW WPX Contest**. Please QSL via the info on QRZ.com.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND. Toni, OH2UA, will be active as **OH0B** during the **CQ WPX CW Contest (May 29-30th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH.

OY, FAROE ISLAND. Carsten, **OY1CT**, will be active in the **CQ WPX Contest** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. He mentions that he will be on 160 meters this year. Please QSL, if needed, direct via address on QRZ.com or CBA address.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **EA9IE LOGS.** Juan, EA9IE, is celebrating his 25 years in ham radio (his first QSO as EA9IE was July 30th 1979). He has put his logs on the Web page at: <http://dx.qsl.net/logs/index.html> Logs contains his 212,576 QSOs with more than 95,000 different callsigns. The last date of QSO is May 18th, 2004, and he will update the log continuously. QSLing is OK direct or by the bureau. If QSLing direct, people can also include in the same envelope QSL cards for his XYL and her two callsigns: CN2MP and EA9AM.
- **EM0U.** Is a club amateur radio station of the Ukrainian State Centre of Radio Frequencies and the 6th ITU Centre of Excellence. QSL Manager is UT3UZ (Alex I. Arbuzov, P.O.Box 240, Kiev-232, 02232, Ukraine). QSL either direct or through the UARL bureau.
- Fran, EA7FTR, informs OPDX that he is now the QSL Manager for Pedro, **HK1HHX** (and **5K1X**), from Colombia. QSL must be sent to Francisco, Lianez Suero, Asturias 23, 21110 Aljaraque HUELVA Spain.
- Bob, W9OL, reports that logs for the recent **YO3APJ** have been uploaded to "Logbook of The World" (LoTW). He also mentions that more of the 9X5AA 1989 logs have been uploaded to LoTW (still a lot to do yet). Lastly, Bob states IRC info for Belarus has been updated to: <http://www.qsl.net/w9ol/ircchart.txt>
- Alan, VK4AAR, would like to advise OPDX readers that the cards for the recent IOTA expeditions to VINEY (OC-266) and PASCO (OC-071) Islands have been printed, and he has started to work on the backlog. They will all be in the mail very shortly.

SPECIAL ACTIVITY (Attention Prefix Hunters!). Portuguese radio operators from Portugal, Azores and Madeira will be using the following special prefixes from June 12th through July 4th during the Football (Soccer) European Championships (EURO 2004):

CT1 -> CQ14	CU0 -> CU04	CU5 -> CU54
CT2 -> CQ24	CU1 -> CU14	CU6 -> CU64
CT4 -> CQ44	CU2 -> CU24	CU7 -> CU74
CT5 -> CQ54	CU3 -> CU34	CU8 -> CU84
CT3 -> CS94	CU4 -> CU44	CU9 -> CU94

Also, look for special activity by the official Rede dos Emissores Portugueses (REP) station **CS2004REP**. A EURO 2004 award will be available for working these stations. Details are available at: <http://www.rep.pt>

SPECIAL EVENT (Addition/Correction). Pi, K1RV, has provided a few corrections to last week's announcement about the Annual Museum Ships Weekend. This year will be the 8th year (not 5th) for this year's event. They expect close to 90 ships to participate from around the world. The event's Web site is at: <http://www.qsl.net/k1usn/event.html> The USS Salem Radio Club - K1USN, will again sponsor this event. Additional information about the USS Salem can be found at: <http://www.qsl.net/k1usn/> The operating time (for the Museum Ships Weekend) will be from 0001z, **July 17th** through 2359z, **July 18th**. QSL Manager for K1USN is K1RV. DX may QSL via the bureau, and all others please enclose #10 SASE for K1USN QSL card and USS Salem literature. ADDRESS: (K1USN QSLs ONLY #10 SASE) Harold Pugh - "Pi" - K1RV, 78 Temple St., Abington, MA 02351. All stations that work 10 of the participating ships will receive a certificate if they send a copy of their log showing these contacts and a SASE to W1QWT. Certificate is 8.5 X 11. The address for W1QWT is: Bob Callahan, 56 Acorn Street, Scituate, MA. 02066 USA.

SPECIAL EVENT. The Penticton ARC will be operating a special event station from the **Kettle Valley Railroad steam train** on **May 29-30th** starting about 9:00 AM (local time) and running through to about 10:00 PM. They will be active as both RR mobile and RR portable. Suggested frequencies are just above 3785, 7225, 14225, and 21300 kHz for SSB. For CW, look for them in the lower part of the U.S. General portion of the band (if they have CW operators) on 20, 40 and 80 meters. A nice four sided QSL card will be available with pictures of the locomotives they used on the railroad line. The callsign they will use is VE7KVL (VE7 Kettle Valley Line). Also, visit the Web page at: <http://www.kettlevalleyrail.org/> QSL direct only w/SASE to VA7DP. No return postage no card. NO BUREAU CARDS PLEASE. They will post the log on eQSL, but you will only get "normal" (one sided) QSL card.

SPECIAL EVENT (Radio Reactivation Day). Look for special event station **VE3SCX** to be active **June 5-6th** (11:00 AM - 3:00 PM) from **Camp X** on the Oshawa-Whitby border. Activity is to celebrate the **60th anniversary of the D-Day landing on June 6, 1944**. For more information on Camp X, have a look at the following Web page: <http://www.camp-x.com>

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for the special event station **ED8ERC** to be aired between **July 3-10th** to celebrate the **2nd Canarias HamRadio Meeting** (II Encuentro de Radioaficionados de Canarias). Activity will be on all HF bands SSB/CW, possibility of PSK/RTTY and one APRS station on the air. QSL Info: QRZ.COM. The special station will be operated by EA8ZS, Gran Canaria DX Group members and others EA8 operators.

SPECIAL EVENT. Rodja, YZ1AA, is active until the end of year with the special callsign **YZ200A**. Activity is to celebrate the **200th anniversary of the First Serbian Mutiny against Turks (1804)**. His activity will be mainly on CW (just a reminder, he is a member of FOC, YUCWK etc...). He already made over 3000 QSOs last week. Look for him in **CQ WPX CW Contest**, mainly during the night time. QSL via YZ1AA: Rankovic Rodoljub, P.O. BOX 17, 11550 Lazarevac, SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO. Please note, bureau cards are also welcome.

ST2, SUDAN. Michael, PA5M (ex-YI/PA5M and 9U5M) is now in Sudan and will be active for about one month using **ST2DX**. He will use his vertical from the hotel or a 10 element log periodic antenna from his work QTH with 100 watts from his FT-857. Operating times...work permitting. All info about this operation including on-line log search, is available on: <http://www.pa7fm.nl>

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Bill, VK4FW, announces that "At this time we still need 1 more YL operator and 1 CW operator." Operation will take place between **September 25th and October 16th**. Activity will be on all HF bands CW/SSB/RTTY and 6 meters. For more details, visit the following Web page at: <http://www.odxg.org>

VO2, CANADA (Zone 2). Francois, VA2RC, will be active as **VO2/VA2RC** from **Labrador City (VO2 - Zone 2), July 31st (1200-0600z) to August 1st (1200-0400z)**. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are as follows:

- **SSB** - 3790-3795, 7050-7060, 14185-14200, 21250-21275 and 28420-28450 kHz
- **RTTY** - 3580-3600, 7040-7050, 14085-14090, 21085-21090 and 28090-28100 kHz

QSL to VA2RC via the bureau. For more information, pictures and updates, visit the Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/va2rc/>

Z32, MACEDONIA. Look for Venci, **Z32AF**, to be active in the **CQ WPX CW Contest (May 29-30th)** as a Single-Op/Single-Band entry. The band was not provided. QSL via N8RKA.

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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<http://www.papays.com/opdx.html>

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:

<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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